



MAZDA

Mazda2

South Africa • 2026 Hagalu Buyer's Guide

1496 cc

ENGINE

85 kW

POWER

152 mm

CLEARANCE

16.7 km/l

FUEL ECON

5 seats

SEATING

ZAR 336,000 – 417,300

Ex-Showroom Starting Price

<https://www.hagalu.com/south-africa/mazda/mazda2/>

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Source-backed	No rating inferred	3 Variants	3 Priced
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01 Overview & Quick Facts

The Mazda Mazda2 fills a specific place in the South African market: a compact, naturally aspirated hatchback for buyers who value predictable controls, manageable dimensions and a long-distance ownership plan. It is a b-segment hatchback with petrol power. The current South African range is 1.5 Active Edition FWD, 1.5 Dynamic Edition Auto FWD, 1.5 Individual Edition Auto FWD. That range structure matters because a useful buying decision starts with the locally offered product, not a foreign configurator or an estimated price. The 2026 update matters because it improves the entry Active edition's connectivity without changing the simple mechanical formula. Dynamic moves the range to an automatic gearbox and a broader airbag package, while Individual adds the convenience equipment most visible in dense traffic and tight parking. The result is a vehicle that should be shortlisted according to the work it must do every week, the roads it will use and the ownership costs that continue after delivery. The mechanical proposition is equally important. A naturally aspirated 1.5-litre SKYACTIV-G petrol engine produces 85 kW and 148 Nm, with manual and six-speed...



Body Style	Hatchback
Launched	2015
Generation	Current DJ-generation Mazda2, updated for South Africa in 2026
Fuel Types	Petrol
Colours	Current Mazda South Africa paint availability varies by edition and dealer allocation.
OEM Website	https://www.mazda.co.za/cars/mazda2

02 Variant Pricing & On-Road Costs

Ex-Showroom Starting Price	ZAR 336,000 – 417,300	3 Listed Variants
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Variant	Fuel	Transmission	Trim	Ex-Showroom
1.5 Active Edition FWD	Petrol	Manual	Base	ZAR 336,000
1.5 Dynamic Edition Auto FWD	Petrol	Automatic	Mid	ZAR 371,300
1.5 Individual Edition Auto FWD	Petrol	Automatic	Flagship	ZAR 417,300

Estimated On-Road Price — 1.5 Active Edition FWD (Base Variant)

Johannesburg	ZAR 351,032
Cape Town	ZAR 353,340
Durban	ZAR 349,260
Pretoria	ZAR 350,146

* On-road prices are estimates including registration, road tax and insurance.

03 Pros, Cons & Buyer Summary

● STRENGTHS ✓ Simple naturally aspirated engine ✓ Manual and automatic choice ✓ Compact urban dimensions ✓ Current smartphone connectivity ✓ Five-year unlimited-kilometre warranty ✓ Three-year unlimited-kilometre service plan	● CONSIDERATIONS ✗ Small 250-litre boot ✗ Entry edition omits several parking aids ✗ No turbocharged overtaking reserve ✗ Rear space needs an in-person check ✗ Automatic editions cost more ✗ City and highway consumption splits are not published
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Buyer Summary

"A focused b-segment hatchback that should be chosen by exact local derivative, real weekly use and complete ownership cost."

The Mazda Mazda2 deserves consideration for its clearly defined role as a compact, naturally aspirated hatchback for buyers who value predictable controls, manageable dimensions and a long-distance ownership plan. Its strongest qualities are simple naturally aspirated engine, manual and automatic choice, compact urban dimensions, while the main cautions are small 250-litre boot, entry edition omits several parking aids, no turbocharged overtaking reserve. The correct derivative is the one that covers the buyer's regular safety, space and drivetrain needs at a sustainable total cost. Current buyers should compare written on-road quotations and exact build specifications. Pre-launch buyers should keep a place on the shortlist but delay any firm value judgement until South African variants, prices and warranty terms are published.

City Driving	Its compact footprint, light-car proportions and straightforward 1.5-litre drivetrain make it easy to place in traffic and parking areas. Buyers should compare the manual Active with the automatic editions according to commute congestion, because transmission choice changes daily convenience more than a cosmetic option pack. For city ownership, compare the turning circle, parking aids, low-speed drivetrain response and real garage dimensions. Air-conditioning, phone integration and seat comfort should be tested during a realistic commute. Short-trip fuel use can differ materially from a combined claim, while an electrified Mazda2 only delivers its best operating-cost case when charging is convenient and consistently used.
Highway	The Mazda2 can cover inter-city routes, but its strongest case remains light-car efficiency and easy ownership. A loaded test drive should check overtaking response, tyre noise, rear-seat comfort and luggage capacity before it is selected for frequent family touring. On faster roads in the Mazda2, the useful questions are stability in wind, passing response at altitude, braking with a full passenger load and how often its drivetrain changes gear or calls on a range extender. Service-plan distance, roadside assistance, spare-wheel type and tyre availability deserve attention before frequent inter-provincial travel in this b-segment hatchback. A calm 120 km/h test is more revealing than a short burst of acceleration.

Off-Road	This is a front-wheel-drive hatchback rather than a trail vehicle. Its published ground clearance is useful on imperfect suburban roads, but low-profile obstacles, deep ruts and water crossings remain outside its intended role. Ground clearance alone does not establish the Mazda2's off-road ability. Tyre sidewall, approach and departure angles, cooling, traction hardware and underbody protection define its safe envelope. Owners who regularly visit farms, sites or lodges should use the exact local figures and choose a Mazda2 derivative whose driven wheels and tyres suit those routes. For ordinary damaged tar, controlled speed remains more valuable than a styling package.
Best For	The natural buyer is someone seeking a compact, naturally aspirated hatchback for buyers who value predictable controls, manageable dimensions and a long-distance ownership plan. They should know their annual distance, normal passenger load, charging access where relevant, insurance budget and whether the car will spend most of its life in traffic, on national roads or on gravel. The Mazda2 makes most sense when its confirmed drivetrain and equipment solve those repeated needs without forcing the household to finance capability it will rarely use.

04 Variant Comparison Matrix

All 3 variants of the Mazda Mazda2 side-by-side. Use this to spot the smallest differences quickly — fuel, power, gearbox and price all in one view.

SPEC	1.5 Active Edition FWD	1.5 Dynamic Edition Auto FWD	1.5 Individual Edition Auto FWD
Price (ex-showroom)	ZAR 336,000	ZAR 371,300	ZAR 417,300
Fuel Type	Petrol	Petrol	Petrol
Transmission	6-Speed Manual	6-Speed Automatic	6-Speed Automatic
Trim Level	Base	Mid	Flagship
Engine	1496 cc (1.5L)	1496 cc (1.5L)	1496 cc (1.5L)
Max Power	85 kW (114 bhp)	85 kW (114 bhp)	85 kW (114 bhp)
Max Torque	148 Nm (109 lb-ft)	148 Nm (109 lb-ft)	148 Nm (109 lb-ft)
Drivetrain	FWD	FWD	FWD
Fuel Economy	17.5 km/l	16.7 km/l	16.7 km/l
Seating	5	5	5
Boot Space	250 L	250 L	250 L
Ground Clearance	152 mm	152 mm	152 mm
Kerb Weight	1050 kg	1070 kg	1070 kg

→ [Compare these variants on hagalu.com](#) (published prices, on-road estimates, source-backed specifications and buyer guidance)

05 Mazda Mazda2 — 1.5 Active Edition FWD

ZAR 336,000

ENGINE 1496 cc	POWER 85 kW · 114 bhp	TORQUE 148 Nm · 109 lb-ft	ECONOMY 17.5 km/l	FUEL Petrol 6-Speed Manual
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Base Trim · Petrol · Manual

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Code	Not Officially Disclosed
Fuel Type	Petrol	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	1496 cc	Cylinders	4
Cylinder Layout	Inline	Valves	Not Officially Disclosed
Valves per Cylinder	Not Officially Disclosed	Aspiration	Naturally Aspirated
Fuel System	Not Officially Disclosed	Compression Ratio	13.0:1

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

4WD Selector	Not Applicable	Gearbox	6-Speed Manual
Drivetrain Layout	Front-engine, front-wheel drive	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable	Paddle Shifters	Not Available
Final Drive Ratio	4.105	Number of Gears	6
Transmission Type	Manual	Gear Shift Type	Manual
Drivetrain	FWD	4WD Engagement	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Length	4085 mm	Width	1695 mm
Height	1504 mm	Wheelbase	2570 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	152 mm	Fuel Tank Capacity	44 l
Boot/Cargo Space	250 l	Kerb Weight	1050 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	1500 kg	Payload Capacity	450 kg
Towing Capacity	750 kg	Seating Capacity	5 seats

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Emission Standard	Euro stage IV	Range Real World Highway	Not Applicable km
Range Real World Mixed	Not Applicable km	Auto Start Stop	Not Available
Charging Type	Not Applicable	Charging Port Type	Not Applicable
Claimed Mileage	17.5 km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	44
City Mileage	14.1 km/l	Highway Mileage	20.6 km/l
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Electric Consumption	Not Applicable

SAFETY

Passenger Airbag	Standard	Hill Hold	Not Available
AEB	Not Available	BA	Standard

Driver Airbag	Standard	Curtain Airbags	Not Available
Engine Immobiliser	Standard	EBD	Standard
Airbags	4	ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Not Available	Hill Descent Control	Not Available

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Sunroof	Not Available	Wireless Charging	Not Available
Push Button Start	Standard	Load Bed Width	Not Applicable mm
Power Windows	Front & Rear	Load Bed Length	Not Applicable mm
Keyless Entry	Standard	Climate Control	Manual
Loadbox Length Mm	Not Applicable mm	Loadbox Width Mm	Not Applicable mm
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available	Electric Tailgate	Not Available

+ 12 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ [See 1.5 Active Edition FWD full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa](#)

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06 Mazda Mazda2 — 1.5 Dynamic Edition Auto

ZAR 371,300

FWD

ENGINE	POWER	TORQUE	ECONOMY	FUEL
1496	85	148	16.7	Petrol
cc	kW · 114 bhp	Nm · 109 lb-ft	km/l	6-Speed Automatic

Mid Trim · Petrol · Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Code	Not Officially Disclosed
Fuel Type	Petrol	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	1496 cc	Cylinders	4
Cylinder Layout	Inline	Valves	Not Officially Disclosed
Valves per Cylinder	Not Officially Disclosed	Aspiration	Naturally Aspirated
Fuel System	Not Officially Disclosed	Compression Ratio	13.0:1

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

4WD Selector	Not Applicable	Gearbox	6-Speed Auto
Drivetrain Layout	Front-engine, front-wheel drive	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable	Paddle Shifters	Not Available
Final Drive Ratio	4.319	Number of Gears	6
Transmission Type	Automatic	Gear Shift Type	Automatic
Drivetrain	FWD	4WD Engagement	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Length	4085 mm	Width	1695 mm
Height	1504 mm	Wheelbase	2570 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	152 mm	Fuel Tank Capacity	44 l
Boot/Cargo Space	250 l	Kerb Weight	1070 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	1516 kg	Payload Capacity	446 kg
Towing Capacity	250 kg	Seating Capacity	5 seats

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Emission Standard	Euro stage IV	Range Real World Highway	Not Applicable km
Range Real World Mixed	Not Applicable km	Auto Start Stop	Not Available
Charging Type	Not Applicable	Charging Port Type	Not Applicable
Claimed Mileage	16.7 km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	44
City Mileage	13.4 km/l	Highway Mileage	19.7 km/l
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Electric Consumption	Not Applicable

SAFETY

Passenger Airbag	Standard	Hill Hold	Not Available
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AEB	Not Available	BA	Standard
Driver Airbag	Standard	Curtain Airbags	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard	EBD	Standard
Airbags	6	ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	Hill Descent Control	Not Available

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Sunroof	Not Available	Wireless Charging	Not Available
Push Button Start	Standard	Load Bed Width	Not Applicable mm
Power Windows	Front & Rear	Load Bed Length	Not Applicable mm
Keyless Entry	Standard	Climate Control	Manual
Loadbox Length Mm	Not Applicable mm	Loadbox Width Mm	Not Applicable mm
Rain Sensing Wipers	Not Available	Electric Tailgate	Not Available

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→ [See 1.5 Dynamic Edition Auto FWD full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa](#)

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07 Mazda Mazda2 — 1.5 Individual Edition Auto FWD

ZAR 417,300

ENGINE 1496 cc	POWER 85 kW · 114 bhp	TORQUE 148 Nm · 109 lb-ft	ECONOMY 16.7 km/l	FUEL Petrol 6-Speed Automatic
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Flagship Trim · Petrol · Automatic

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ENGINE & PERFORMANCE

Engine	1.5-litre Naturally Aspirated Petrol	Engine Code	Not Officially Disclosed
Fuel Type	Petrol	Hybrid System	Not Applicable
Engine Displacement	1496 cc	Cylinders	4
Cylinder Layout	Inline	Valves	Not Officially Disclosed
Valves per Cylinder	Not Officially Disclosed	Aspiration	Naturally Aspirated
Fuel System	Not Officially Disclosed	Compression Ratio	13.0:1

TRANSMISSION & DRIVETRAIN

4WD Selector	Not Applicable	Gearbox	6-Speed Auto
Drivetrain Layout	Front-engine, front-wheel drive	Transfer Case	Not Applicable
Differential Lock	Not Applicable	Paddle Shifters	Standard
Final Drive Ratio	4.319	Number of Gears	6
Transmission Type	Automatic	Gear Shift Type	Automatic
Drivetrain	FWD	4WD Engagement	Not Applicable

DIMENSIONS

Length	4085 mm	Width	1695 mm
Height	1504 mm	Wheelbase	2570 mm
Ground Clearance (Default)	152 mm	Fuel Tank Capacity	44 l
Boot/Cargo Space	250 l	Kerb Weight	1070 kg
Gross Vehicle Weight (GVW)	1527 kg	Payload Capacity	457 kg
Towing Capacity	250 kg	Seating Capacity	5 seats

MILEAGE & EFFICIENCY

Emission Standard	Euro stage IV	Range Real World Highway	Not Applicable km
Range Real World Mixed	Not Applicable km	Auto Start Stop	Not Available
Charging Type	Not Applicable	Charging Port Type	Not Applicable
Claimed Mileage	16.7 km/l	Fuel Tank Litres	44
City Mileage	13.4 km/l	Highway Mileage	19.7 km/l
AdBlue Tank Capacity	Not Applicable l	Electric Consumption	Not Applicable

SAFETY

Passenger Airbag	Standard	Hill Hold	Not Available
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AEB	Not Available	BA	Standard
Driver Airbag	Standard	Curtain Airbags	Standard
Engine Immobiliser	Standard	EBD	Standard
Airbags	6	ABS	Standard
Electronic Stability Control	Standard	Hill Descent Control	Not Available

COMFORT & CONVENIENCE

Sunroof	Not Available	Wireless Charging	Standard
Push Button Start	Standard	Load Bed Width	Not Applicable mm
Power Windows	Front & Rear	Load Bed Length	Not Applicable mm
Keyless Entry	Smart	Climate Control	Automatic
Loadbox Length Mm	Not Applicable mm	Loadbox Width Mm	Not Applicable mm
Rain Sensing Wipers	Standard	Electric Tailgate	Not Available

+ 12 more spec categories (Infotainment & Connectivity, Interior, Exterior, Driver Assistance, ...) available on the live model page.

→ See 1.5 Individual Edition Auto FWD full specs and lifecycle details in South Africa

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